

# Kenya November 2007

a backpacking alternative to safaris.



*Mount Kenya seen from Isiolo.*

## Introduction.

Not having the money, or wish, to join an organised safari, I spent 8-24 November backpacking and birding through central Kenya, not visiting any of the famous national parks. My inspiration to do the trip came from a few excellent trip-reports on the net at [travellingbirder.com](http://travellingbirder.com), mainly Michiel de Boer (1996) and Samuel Hansson (2004), which provided me with a rough itinerary and some very good, and mostly, up-to-date maps of the sites.

The rains in the previous months had been of El Niño-like dimensions, which had caused some of the lakes in the Rift Valley to rise by more than a meter. This had flooded lowlying areas at Lake Naivasha, creating good wader-habitat, whereas the flooding at Lake Baringo had brought the shoreline up behind the gallery-forest, meaning that the lake could not be viewed from the shore. In Isiolo everything was lush and green, and far removed from the drought-stricken and dusty place mentioned by birders visiting in 2006 and early 2007.

During my time there I had very pleasant weather, with daytime temperatures of 25 C, long overcast periods and only the occasional shower, though slightly cooler in the highlands at Nyahururu

## Logistics.

Travelling between sites involved a number of bus- and matatu-rides, which tended to be hassel-free and cheap, though a few waits of an hour or more were experienced, when changing matatus. Travelling alone made it easier to find space for my backpack, but otherwise an extra seat could be bought for the luggage.

Not entering any of the national parks meant, that it was possible to bird on foot at all sites, and distances between accommodation and birding sites were rather small.

I used *The Rough Guide to Kenya* to find accommodation, usually settling for budget places, as I only used them for sleeping and showering anyway. Mosquito-nets were provided in even the cheapest hostel, as well as a towel, and dinner could be ordered in advance at most places or taken at small local eating places. For eating during the day I brought snacks like biscuits and fruits along, and as the weather wasn't too hot, one litre of mineral water was usually enough, to get me through the day.

Going on public transport and staying at small hostels/hotels meant that I was able to get by on roughly 15 euros/day.

## **Itinerary.**

8.11 : landed in Nairobi mid-afternoon, and took a matatu to Naivasha (1.5 hours), where I arrived around 5.30 pm.



*Lake Naivasha - western shore and from the south.*

9.11 : started out at sunrise (6 am) and spent the rest of the day birding the area between the main road and the lakeside at Hippo Point a few km south of town, and also the cliff below the southern suburbs.

10.11 : took a matatu first thing, to the southern end of Lake Naivasha at Fisherman's Camp, and birded the hillside to the south above the camp until 11 am. The afternoon was spent just outside Naivasha, along the 'Greenhouse Road' (see Hansson 2004) down towards the lakeside.

11.11 : early morning along 'Greenhouse Road' down to Lake Naivasha, before catching a bus to Nakuru (1.5 hours), from where another bus took me to Marigat (2 hours). From here it was another hour in the back of a pick-up truck to Kampi ya Samaki on the shores of Lake Baringo, arriving late afternoon. Birded a few hours before sunset north of town.

12.11 : headed out before sunrise, to reach the cliffs some 4 km west of the lake early in the day, and birded around here until early afternoon. Late afternoon saw me birding between town and Robert's Camp.



*Lake Baringo sunrise and the cliffs*

- 13.11 : once more did the area around the cliffs from sunrise until mid-day, and later on I searched the area around the airstrip.
- 14.11 : most of the day was spent travelling in matatus, Kampi ya Samaki – Marigat – Kabernet – Eldoret – Kakamega (town) – Shinyalu, and from there a bodaboda (bicycle) took me the last few km's to Isecheno in the Kakamega forest. With a couple of hours of daylight left, I did the pump-house trail before it got dark. Arranged for a guide to accompany me the next two days.
- 15.11 : sunrise around 6.30 am, and startet out in the clearing around the Rest House, before venturing into the forest in the back. Afternoon was spent along pump-house trail and the Forest Road.
- 16.11 : in the morning walked along Forest Road to a few km beyond Rondo Resort, and in the afternoon once around Pump-house trail and Forest Road.
- 17.11 : a couple of hours was spent in the morning along Forest Road, before another stint of travelling. Went back through Shinyalu, Kakamega and Eldoret, from where I took a matatu to Nakuru and on to Nyahururu, where I arrived after sunset.
- 18.11 : followed the main road past Thompson's Falls, and across the bridge. From there I headed uphill into the forest, where I worked several different paths and cattle-tracks. Afterwards I spent some time around the lake south of the main road, and a brief visit to the falls (rather touristy).
- 19.11 : in the morning I went out to the lake above the falls for a few hours, before travelling on to Nanyuki, and from there to Isiolo, where I arrived mid-afternoon. The last few hours of daylight was spent birding the wastewater ponds a few km north of town (Isiolo N).



*Forest above Thompson's Falls.*

20.11 : at sunrise I walked south along the main road to Nanyuki, exploring different trails leading off the road. Approx. 5 km south of Isiolo a larger dirt road led eastwards (left) at a souvenir stall, and this road was followed for a few km (Isiolo S).



*Isiolo sewage ponds and shrubby hills to the west.*

- 21.11 : this morning I went westwards towards the low hills, and after crossing two streams reached good bush-country (Isiolo W).
- 22.11 : took an early morning bus from Isiolo reaching Nairobi around noon, and from here a matatu took me to Athi River, about an hours drive eastwards along the Mombasa highway. Late afternoon spent exploring around the southern end of town.
- 23.11 : followed the rail tracks out of town, to find the extensive area of savanna east of Athi River. Walked further east to a small rocky stream, and birded around here and further south.



*Morning fog at Athi River.*

24.11 : dense fog in the morning, when I tried birding south along the Athi River, in rather disturbed habitat. At noon I took matatu (special hire) to the airport to fly back, which worked out cheaper and much faster, than going all the way back into Nairobi.

**Species list:** this list follows the *Field Guide to the Birds of East Africa*, by Terry Stevenson and John Fanshawe.

**Common Ostrich** (*Struthio camelus*) Athi River 1 male and 4 female.

**Great White Pelican** (*Pelecanus onocrotalus*) Lake Naivasha 3, Lake Baringo 75 migrating.

**Pink-backed Pelican** (*Pelecanus rufescens*) Lake Naivasha 15.

**Little Grebe** (*Tachybaptus ruficollis*) Lake Naivasha 2, Nyahururu 5, Isiolo (N) 15.

**White-breasted Cormorant** (*Phalacrocorax (carbo) lucidus*) Lake Naivasha 15.

**Long-tailed Cormorant** (*Phalacrocorax africanus*) Lake Naivasha 6, Nyahururu 1, Athi River 1.

**African Darter** (*Anhinga rufa*) Nyahururu 1 imm.

**Black-crowned Night-Heron** (*Nycticorax nycticorax*) Nyahururu 10+, Isiolo (W) 1.

**Cattle Egret** (*Bubulcus ibis*) Lake Naivasha 15, Lake Naivasha, Fisherman's camp 10, Lake Baringo 15, Nyahururu 25, Isiolo 250 (night roost in town), Athi River 2.

**Common Squacco Heron** (*Ardeola ralloides*) Lake Naivasha 6.

**Striated Heron** (*Butorides striatus*) Athi River 1.

**Little Egret** (*Egretta garzetta*) Lake Naivasha 3, Lake Baringo 1, Isiolo (N) 1.

**Intermediate Egret** (*Mesophoyx intermedia*) Lake Naivasha 2.

**Great Egret** (*Casmerodius albus*) Lake Naivasha 2.

**Goliath Heron** (*Ardea goliath*) Lake Naivasha 1.

**Purple Heron** (*Ardea purpurea*) Lake Naivasha 15.

**Grey Heron** (*Ardea cinerea*) Lake Naivasha 5, Nyahururu 2, Isiolo (N) 1.

**Black-headed Heron** (*Ardea melanocephala*) Lake Naivasha 5, Isiolo (N) 1, Isiolo (S) 5, Isiolo (W) 2, Athi River 5 – often feeding in fields far from water.

**Hamerkop** (*Scopus umbretta*) Lake Naivasha 2, Lake Baringo 1, Isiolo (S) 1, Isiolo (W) 3, Athi River 2.

**White Stork** (*Ciconia ciconia*) Lake Naivasha 2, Athi River 2.

**Yellow-billed Stork** (*Mycteria ibis*) Lake Naivasha 30.

**Marabu Stork** (*Leptoptilos crumeniferus*) Isiolo (N) 3, Isiolo (W) 2, Athi River 55+ (51 in one flock) – also common in Nairobi, and seen in many towns.

**Sacred Ibis** (*Threskiornis aethiopicus*) Lake Naivasha 15, Lake Baringo 2, Nyahururu 10, Isiolo 50+ (night-roost in town), Isiolo (S) 5, Isiolo (W) 6, Athi River 10.

**Hadada Ibis** (*Bostrychia hagedash*) Lake Naivasha 15, Lake Naivasha, Fisherman's camp 6, Nyahururu 15+, Isiolo (S) 1, Isiolo (W) 2, Athi River 2 – common and noisy.

**Glossy Ibis** (*Plegadis falcinellus*) Lake Naivasha 1, Nyahururu 26 overflying.

**African Spoonbill** (*Platalea alba*) Lake Naivasha 30, Lake Baringo 2 migrating., Nyahururu 1.

**Egyptian Goose** (*Alopochen aegyptiacus*) Lake Naivasha 25, Nyahururu 2, Isiolo (N) 1, Athi River 3.

**White-faced Whistling-Duck** (*Dendrocygna viduata*) Lake Naivasha 20.

**Fulvous Whistling-Duck** (*Dendrocygna bicolor*) Lake Naivasha 4.

**Maccoa Duck** (*Oxyura maccoa*) Nyahururu 2 at the sewage ponds.

**Redbilled Teal** (*Anas erythrorhyncha*) Lake Naivasha 50, Nyahururu 15.

**Hottentot Teal** (*Anas hottentota*) Lake Naivasha 6, Nyahururu 25.

**Yellow-billed Duck** (*Anas undulate*) Lake Naivasha 5, Nyahururu 10, Athi River 6.

**African Black Duck** (*Anas sparsa*) Nyahururu 1 female with 6 pull., first seen in the stream and then in the small pond.



*African Black Duck at Nyahururu, being watched by Hippo.*

**Northern Shoveler** (*Anas clypeata*) Nyahururu 3.

**Garganey** (*Anas querquedula*) Lake Naivasha 3.

**Southern Pochard** (*Netta erythrophthalma*) Lake Naivasha 2, Nyahururu 1.

**Yellow-billed Kite** (*Milvus (migrans) parasiticus*) Lake Naivasha 1, Kakamega Forest (Shinyalu) 5, Nyahururu 5, Isiolo (N) 1, Isiolo (S) 3, Isiolo (W) 3, Athi River 1 – also seen in many towns.

**Black-shouldered Kite** (*Elanus caeruleus*) Lake Naivasha, Fisherman's camp 1, Lake Naivasha 1, Athi River 4.

**Secretary Bird** (*Sagittarius serpentarius*) Athi River 1.

**African Fish Eagle** (*Haliaeetus vocifer*) Lake Naivasha 2, Lake Naivasha, Fisherman's camp + (heard), Lake Baringo 2, Athi River 1.

**Osprey** (*Pandion haliaetus*) Lake Naivasha 2-3.

**African White-backed Vulture** (*Gyps africanus*) Athi River 10.

**Rüppell's Griffon Vulture** (*Gyps rueppellii*) Athi River 2-3.

**African Marsh Harrier** (*Circus ranivorus*) Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 1 imm.

**Eurasian Marsh Harrier** (*Circus aeruginosus*) Lake Naivasha 4.

**Pallid Harrier** (*Circus macrourus*) Lake Naivasha 2-3 male and 1 female, Nakuru 1 male, Nyahururu 1 male and 1 female, Athi River 1 male.

**Eastern Chanting-Goshawk** (*Melierax poliopterus*) Isiolo (S) 1, Athi River 1.

**Dark Chanting-Goshawk** (*Melierax metabates*) Lake Baringo 1.

**Shikra** (*Accipiter badius*) Lake Baringo 2 ad + 1 juv, Isiolo (W) 1 ad.

**Great Sparrowhawk** (*Accipiter melanoleucus*) Kakamega Forest 1.

**African Cuckoo-Hawk** (*Aviceda cuculoides*) Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 2 (pair) sunning themselves in the morning.

**European Honey-Buzzard** (*Pernis apivorus*) Lake Naivasha 1.

**Augur Buzzard** (*Buteo augur*) Lake Naivasha 4, Lake Naivasha, Fisherman's camp 2 ( 1 dark), Isiolo (W) 1.

**Mountain Buzzard** (*Buteo oreophilus*) Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 1.

**Common (Steppe) Buzzard** (*Buteo (buteo) vulpinus*) Lake Naivasha 2, Kakamega Forest 1, Nyahururu 1.

**Tawny Eagle** (*Aquila rapax*) Lake Naivasha 2, Athi River 2.

**Steppe Eagle** (*Aquila nipalensis*) Lake Naivasha 1.

**Long-crested Eagle** (*Lophaetus occipitalis*) Lake Naivasha 1 along the greenhouse-track, Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 1.

**African Crowned Eagle** (*Stephanoaetus coronatus*) Kakamega Forest 1, Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 1 - both times the birds were only heard.

**(Common) Rock Kestrel** (*Falco (tinnunculus) rufescens*) Lake Naivasha 1, Lake Baringo 6 (2 pairs on cliffs), Isiolo (S) 1, Isiolo (W) 1.

**Lesser Kestrel** (*Falco naumanni*) Lake Baringo - a flock of 9 migrating south along the cliffs.

**Pygmy Falcon** (*Polihierax semitorquatus*) Lake Baringo 2 (pair), Isiolo (W) 2 (pair).

**Eurasian Hobby** (*Falco subbuteo*) Lake Baringo 1, Isiolo (S) 1, Isiolo (W) 1 juvenile.

**Eleonora's Falcon** (*Falco eleonorae*) Lake Naivasha 1 ad light phase south of town.

**Lanner Falcon** (*Falco biarmicus*) Lake Baringo 1 adult – hunting doves in town at dusk, Athi River 1 adult.

**Peregrine Falcon** (*Falco peregrinus*) Lake Naivasha 1 adult.

**Helmeted Guineafowl** (*Numida meleagris*) Lake Naivasha 25, Isiolo (S) 2+, Athi River 3.

**Crested Francolin** (*Francolinus sephaena*) Isiolo (S) 2.

**Yellow-necked Spurfowl** (*Francolinus leucoscepus*) Isiolo (S) 4+, Athi River 5.

**Common Quail** (*Coturnix coturnix*) Lake Naivasha 1 heard only.

**Black Crake** (*Amaurornis flavirostris*) Lake Naivasha 3, Nyahururu 4 + 2 pull., Athi River 2.

**Red-knobbed Coot** (*Fulica cristata*) Lake Naivasha 15, Nyahururu 1.

**Common Moorhen** (*Gallinula chloropus*) Nyahururu 5.

**African Jacana** (*Actophilornis africanus*) Lake Naivasha 3.

**Grey Crowned Crane** (*Balearica regulorum*) Lake Naivasha 1 pair 2pull, Kakamega Forest 4, Eldoret 15 in farmland outside of town, Nyahururu 3, Isiolo (S) 2, Athi River 3.

**White-bellied Bustard** (*Eupodotis senegalensis*) Athi River 2 (pair).

**Black-winged Stilt** (*Himantopus himantopus*) Lake Naivasha 10, Isiolo (N) 2.

**Greater Painted-snipe** (*Rostratula benghalensis*) Lake Naivasha 1 - flushed from canal.

**Heuglin's Courser** (*Rhinoptilus cinctus*) Lake Baringo 1 – just north of the road at the airstrip.



*Heuglin's Courser at Lake Baringo.*

**Blacksmith Lapwing** (*Vanellus armatus*) Lake Naivasha 10, Nyahururu 4.

**Spur-winged Lapwing** (*Vanellus spinosus*) Lake Naivasha 8, Isiolo (N) 2.

**Long-toed Lapwing** (*Vanellus crassirostris*) Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 2 – at the lake.

**Crowned Lapwing** (*Vanellus coronatus*) Lake Naivasha 6, Lake Naivasha, Fisherman's camp 4, Athi River 2.

**Black-headed Lapwing** (*Vanellus tectus*) Lake Baringo 3.

**Black-winged Lapwing** (*Vanellus melanopterus*) Lake Naivasha 7 - in the meadows at the end of the greenhouse track.

**Kittlitz's Plover** (*Charadrius pecuarius*) Lake Naivasha 1.

**Three-banded Plover** (*Charadrius tricollaris*) Lake Naivasha 2, Nyahururu 1, Isiolo (W) 2, Athi River 10.

**Common Ringed Plover** (*Charadrius hiaticula*) Lake Naivasha 10, Nyahururu 2, Athi River 1.

**Little Ringed Plover** (*Charadrius dubius*) Lake Naivasha 1.

**Ruff** (*Philomachus pugnax*) Lake Naivasha 100, Nyahururu 8, Isiolo (N) 2.

**Common Sandpiper** (*Actitis hypoleucos*) Lake Naivasha 3, Nyahururu 2, Isiolo (N) 1, Athi River 2

**Wood Sandpiper** (*Tringa glareola*) Lake Naivasha 75, Nyahururu 3, Isiolo (N) 4, Isiolo (S) 1.

**Green Sandpiper** (*Tringa ochropus*) Lake Naivasha 15, Nyahururu 1, Athi River 1.

**Common Greenshank** (*Tringa nebularia*) Lake Naivasha 2, Nyahururu 2.

**Marsh Sandpiper** (*Tringa stagnatilis*) Lake Naivasha 15, Nyahururu 1.

**Little Stint** (*Calidris minuta*) Lake Naivasha 150, Nyahururu 2.

**Curlew Sandpiper** (*Calidris ferruginea*) Lake Naivasha 25.

**Ruddy Turnstone** (*Arenaria interpres*) Lake Naivasha 1.

**Black-tailed Godwit** (*Limosa limosa*) Lake Naivasha 30.

**Common Snipe** (*Gallinago gallinago*) Lake Naivasha 1, Nyahururu 1.

**African Snipe** (*Gallinago nigripennis*) Lake Naivasha 1 – seen well and photographed.

**Grey-headed Gull** (*Larus cirrocephalus*) Lake Naivasha 20.

**White-winged Tern** (*Chlidonias leucopterus*) Lake Naivasha 15, Isiolo (N) 1.

**Whiskered Tern** (*Chlidonias hybridus*) Lake Naivasha 15.

**Black-faced Sandgrouse** (*Pterocles decoratus*) Isiolo (S) 1 male, Athi River 3-4 pairs.

**African Green-Pigeon** (*Treron calva*) Athi River 3.

**Speckled Pigeon** (*Columba guinea*) Lake Naivasha 4, Lake Naivasha, Fisherman's camp 1, Lake Baringo 2, Nyahururu 2, Isiolo (N) 2, Isiolo (S) 10 – also seen in many towns.

**Olive Pigeon** (*Columba arquatrix*) Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 1.

**Emerald-spotted Wood-Dove** (*Turtur chalcospilos*) Lake Baringo 10, Isiolo (W) 1, Athi River 6.

**Blue-spotted Wood-Dove** (*Turtur afer*) Kakamega Forest 2.

**Namaqua Dove** (*Oena capensis*) Lake Baringo 3.

**Ring-necked Dove** (*Streptopelia capicola*) Lake Naivasha +, Lake Baringo 10, Nyahururu 4, Isiolo (N) 3, Isiolo (S) 2, Isiolo (W) 2, Athi River 4.

**Red-eyed Dove** (*Streptopelia semitorquata*) Lake Naivasha 5, Kakamega Forest 1, Nyahururu 1, Isiolo (S) 1, Athi River 2.

**African Mourning Dove** (*Streptopelia decipiens*) Lake Naivasha +, Lake Baringo 15, Isiolo (S) 15, Isiolo (W) 5.

**Laughing Dove** (*Streptopelia senegalensis*) Lake Naivasha 15, Lake Naivasha, Fisherman's camp 5, Lake Baringo 50, Isiolo (N) 1, Isiolo (S) 20, Isiolo (W) 15, Athi River 5.

**Dusky Turtle Dove** (*Streptopelia lugens*) Nyahururu 5.

**Fischer's Lovebird** (*Agapornis fischeri*) Lake Naivasha 1, Lake Naivasha, Fisherman's camp 10, Isiolo (S) 4, Isiolo (W) 1, Athi River 6.

**Great Blue Turaco** (*Corythaeola cristata*) Kakamega Forest 6 – seen along Forest Road.

**Hartlaub's Turaco** (*Tauraco hartlaubi*) Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 6+ - several also heard.

**White-bellied Go-away-bird** (*Corythaixoides leucogaster*) Lake Baringo 10, Isiolo (S) 4, Isiolo (W) +, Athi River 2.

**Great Spotted Cuckoo** (*Clamator glandarius*) Lake Naivasha 3, Isiolo (S) 1.

**Black-and-white Cuckoo** (*Oxylophus jacobinus*) Lake Baringo 1, Isiolo (S) 1, Athi River 1.

**Red-chested Cuckoo** (*Cuculus solitarius*) Lake Naivasha 2, Lake Naivasha, Fisherman's camp 1, Kakamega Forest 1, Nyahururu 1, Isiolo (N) 2, Isiolo (S) 1, Isiolo (W) 4 – the majority heard only.

**Black Cuckoo** (*Cuculus clamosus*) Isiolo (S) 1, Isiolo (W) 3-4.

**Diederik Cuckoo** (*Chrysococcyx caprius*) Lake Naivasha 8+, Lake Baringo 1, Isiolo (S) 10+, Isiolo (W) 6+.

**Klaas's Cuckoo** (*Chrysococcyx klaas*) Lake Naivasha 5+, Lake Baringo 3, Kakamega Forest 1, Isiolo (S) 1, Isiolo (W) +, Athi River 1.

**African Emerald Cuckoo** (*Chrysococcyx cupreus*) Kakamega Forest 2 (pair) seen at the Rondo Resort, Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 1 heard.

**White-browed Coucal** (*Centropus superciliosus*) Lake Naivasha 2, Isiolo (S) 1, Isiolo (W) 1

**White-faced Scops-Owl** (*Otus leucotis*) Lake Baringo 2 (pair) found at day-roost north of town.

**Verreaux's Eagle Owl** (*Bubo lacteus*) Athi River 1 – flushed from day-roost.

**Little Swift** (*Apus affinis*) Lake Naivasha 8, Lake Baringo 4, Kakamega Forest 1, Nyahururu 75, Isiolo 100, Athi River 300+.

**Mottled Swift** (*Apus aequatorialis*) Lake Naivasha 1, Lake Naivasha, Fisherman's camp 10, Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 10.

**Nyanza Swift** (*Apus niansae*) Lake Naivasha 25+, Lake Naivasha, Fisherman's camp 2, Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 10.

**African Palm Swift** (*Cypsiurus parvus*) Jomo Kenyatta Airport 15.

**Speckled Mousebird** (*Colius striatus*) Lake Naivasha 12, Lake Naivasha, Fisherman's camp 15, Lake Baringo 5, Kakamega Forest 2, Nyahururu 2, Isiolo (N) 1, Isiolo (S) 7, Athi River 3.

**White-headed Mousebird** (*Colius leucocephalus*) Isiolo (S) 5+.

**Blue-naped Mousebird** (*Urocolius macrourus*) Lake Baringo 20, Isiolo (N) 2, Isiolo (S) 15, Isiolo (W) 15.

**Bar-tailed Trogon** (*Apaloderma vittatum*) Kakamega Forest 1 seen along pumphouse-trail.

**Pied Kingfisher** (*Ceryle rudis*) Lake Naivasha 4, Lake Baringo 1, Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 1, Isiolo (N) 1, Athi River 1.

**Striped Kingfisher** (*Halcyon chelicuti*) Kakamega Forest 1 in large clearing, Athi River 2.

**Grey-headed Kingfisher** (*Halcyon leucocephala*) Lake Baringo 1, Isiolo (S) 2, Isiolo (W) 1, Athi River 2.

**Giant Kingfisher** (*Megaceryle maxima*) Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 1 male, Athi River 1 male.

**Malachite Kingfisher** (*Alcedo cristata*) Lake Naivasha 5, Lake Baringo 1, Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 1.

**Little Bee-eater** (*Merops pusillus*) Athi River 8.

**Cinnamon-chested Bee-eater** (*Merops oreobates*) Nyahururu 3 in forest above the falls.

**White-throated Bee-eater** (*Merops albicollis*) Kakamega Forest 40+.

**Blue-headed Bee-eater** (*Merops muelleri*) Kakamega Forest 2 behind the Forest Guest House and 2-3 along Forest Road.

**European Bee-eater** (*Merops apiaster*) 20+ seen from matatu in savanna west of Nauro Muri.

**Blue-cheeked Bee-eater** (*Merops persicus*) Lake Baringo 4, Isiolo (S) 2, Isiolo (W) 3.

**White-fronted Bee-eater** (*Merops bullockoides*) Lake Naivasha 3 and Fisherman's camp 2-3.

**Lilac-breasted Roller** (*Coracias caudate*) Lake Naivasha 1, Lake Naivasha, Fisherman's camp 2, Lake Baringo 2, Isiolo (S) 1, Athi River 2.

**Rufous-crowned Roller** (*Coracias naevia*) Lake Baringo 1.

**Green Wood-hoopoe** (*Phoeniculus purpureus*) Lake Naivasha 4, Lake Baringo 1.

**(Grant's) Violet Wood-hoopoe** (*Phoeniculus damarensis( granti)*) Athi River 2 seen near the rocky stream.

**African Hoopoe** (*Upupa Africana*) Lake Naivasha, Fisherman's camp 2, Lake Naivasha 1, Lake Baringo 1, Athi River 2.

**Abyssinian Scimitarbill** (*Rhinopomastus minor*) Lake Baringo 1, Isiolo (W) 2, Athi River 2.

**Eastern Yellow-billed Hornbill** (*Tockus flavirostris*) Lake Baringo 2, Isiolo (W) 3, Athi River 1.

**(Northern) Red-billed Hornbill** (*Tockus erythrorhynchus*) Lake Baringo 5, Isiolo (W) 6, Athi River 1.

**Von der Decken's Hornbill** (*Tockus deckeni*) Isiolo (W) 3, Athi River 2.

**Jackson's Hornbill**(*Tockus jacksoni*) Lake Baringo 6.

**Hemprich's Hornbill** (*Tockus hemprichii*) Lake Baringo 2 seen at the cliffs.

**African Grey Hornbill** (*Tockus nasutus*) Lake Naivasha 2, Isiolo (W) 2, Athi River 1.

**Black-and-white-casqued Hornbill** (*Bycanistes subcylindricus*) Kakamega Forest 6.

**Yellow-rumped Tinkerbird** (*Pogoniulus bilineatus*) Kakamega Forest 8+, Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 3 – often heard, but hard to spot in the canopy.

**Moustached Green Tinkerbird** (*Pogoniulus leucomystax*) Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 1.

**Grey-throated Barbet** (*Gymnobucco bonapartei*) Kakamega Forest 7.

**Red-fronted Tinkerbird** (*Pogoniulus pusillus*) Lake Baringo 1, Isiolo (W) 1, Athi River 1.

**Red-fronted Barbet** (*Tricholaema diademata*) Isiolo (S) 2.

**Spot-flanked Barbet** (*Tricholaema lacrymosa*) Athi River 1.

**Black-throated Barbet** (*Tricholaema melanocephala*) Lake Baringo 2, Isiolo (S) 1, Isiolo (W) 8.

**Yellow-spotted Barbet** (*Buccanodon duchaillui*) Kakamega Forest 3.

**White-headed Barbet** (*Lybius leucocephalus*) Isiolo (W) 1 in fig tree at first stream.

**Double-toothed Barbet** (*Lybius bidentatus*) Kakamega Forest 2 at Rondo Resort.

**d'Arnaud's Barbet** (*Trachyphonus darnaudii*) Lake Baringo 4.

**Red-andyellow Barbet** (*Trachyphonus erythrocephalus*) Lake Baringo 2, Isiolo (S) 1, Isiolo (W) 2.

**Yellow-billed Barbet** (*Trachylaemus purpuratus*) Kakamega Forest 1 heard only.

**Greater Honeyguide** (*Indicator indicator*) Lake Naivasha 1, Isiolo (W) 1, Athi River 1.

**Lesser Honeyguide** (*Indicator minor*) Lake Baringo 2.

**Brown-eared Woodpecker** (*Campethera caroli*) Kakamega Forest 2 (pair) along Forest Road.

**Nubian Woodpecker** (*Campethera nubica*) Lake Baringo 1, Isiolo (S) 1, Athi River 1.

**Cardinal Woodpecker** (*Dendropicos fuscescens*) Lake Baringo 2.

**Bearded Woodpecker** (*Dendropicos namaquus*) Lake Baringo 2.

**Yellow-crested Woodpecker** (*Dendropicos xantholopus*) Kakamega Forest 1

**Grey (-headed) Woodpecker** (*Dendropicos (spodocephalus) goertae*) Lake Naivasha 5, Lake Naivasha, Fisherman's camp 1.

**African Broadbill** (*Smithornis capensis*) Kakamega Forest 1 heard (pumphouse-trail) and 1 seen and another heard on Forest Road.

**Rufous-naped Lark** (*Mirafra Africana*) Nyahururu 5+, Athi River 1.

**Fawn-coloured Lark** (*Mirafra africanoides*) Athi River 3.

**Singing Bush Lark** (*Mirafra cantillans*) Lake Naivasha 1.

**Fischer's Sparrow-Lark** (*Eremopterix leucopareia*) Lake Baringo 20-25 (airstrip), Athi River 8.

**Rock Martin** (*Hirundo fuligula*) Lake Naivasha 4, Lake Naivasha, Fisherman's camp 6, Lake Baringo 2, Nyahururu 2, Isiolo (W) 1, Athi River 2.

**Plain Martin** (*Hirundo paludicola*) Lake Naivasha 250, Nyahururu 10, Isiolo (N) 5.

**Sand Martin** (*Riparia riparia*) Isiolo (N) 25.

**Common House Martin** (*Delichon urbica*) Lake Naivasha 20.

**Red-rumped Swallow** (*Hirundo daurica*) Lake Naivasha 1, Athi River 6.

**Mosque Swallow** (*Hirundo senegalensis*) Lake Naivasha 2, Lake Baringo 2, Isiolo (W) 2.

**Lesser Striped Swallow** (*Hirundo abyssinica*) Isiolo (W) 2, Athi River 2.

**Barn Swallow** (*Hirundo rustica*) Lake Naivasha 30, Lake Naivasha, Fisherman's camp 10, Lake Baringo 25, Kakamega Forest 25, Nyahururu 25, Isiolo (N) 25, Isiolo (S) 50, Isiolo (W) 25.

**Angola Swallow** (*Hirundo angolensis*) Kakamega Town 2+ around bus station.

**Wire-tailed Swallow** (*Hirundo smithii*) Lake Naivasha 2, Isiolo (N) 1, Athi River 1.

**Black Saw-wing** (*Psalidoprocne holomelas*) Kakamega Forest 15, Nyahururu 10.

**White-headed Saw-wing** (*Psalidorprocne albiceps*) Lake Naivasha, Fisherman's camp 1, Kakamega Forest 6.

**Grey-rumped Swallow** (*Pseudhirundo griseopyga*) Lake Naivasha 1.

**African Pied Wagtail** (*Motacilla aguimp*) Lake Naivasha 5, Lake Baringo 2, Kakamega Forest 7, Isiolo (W) 4, Athi River 2.

**Cape Wagtail** (*Motacilla capensis*) Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 2.

**Grey Wagtail** (*Motacilla cinerea*) Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 1.

**Yellow Wagtail** (*Motacilla flava*) Lake Naivasha 75, Nyahururu 3, Isiolo (N) 2, Isiolo (S) 5, Isiolo (W) 2 – seemed to be mostly *flava* with a few *thunbergi* and *flavissima*.

**Yellow-throated Longclaw** (*Macronyx croceus*) Lake Naivasha 1.

**Pangani Longclaw** (*Macronyx aurantiigula*) Athi River 1.

**Grassland Pipit** (*Anthus cinnamomeus*) Lake Naivasha 10+, Lake Naivasha, Fisherman's camp 1, Nyahururu 2, Isiolo (N) 2, Athi River 1.

**Plain-backed Pipit** (*Anthus leucophrys*) Lake Naivasha 1.

**Tree Pipit** (*Anthus trivialis*) Lake Naivasha 1, Lake Naivasha, Fisherman's camp 2, Kakamega Forest 1, Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 1, Isiolo (W) 4, Athi River 1.

**Red-throated Pipit** (*Anthus cervinus*) Lake Naivasha 1 heard only.

**Black Cuckoo-shrike** (*Campephaga flava*) Lake Naivasha 1.

**Purple-throated Cuckoo-shrike** (*Campephaga quiscalina*) Kakamega Forest 3, Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 2.

**Petit's Cuckoo-shrike** (*Campephaga petiti*) Kakamega Forest 2.

**Grey Cuckoo-shrike** (*Coracina caesia*) Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 10.

**Common Bulbul** (*Pycnonotus barbatus*) Lake Naivasha 4, Lake Naivasha, Fisherman's camp 5, Lake Baringo 8, Kakamega Forest 10, Nyahururu 20, Isiolo (N) 1, Isiolo (S) 5, Isiolo (W) 10, Athi River 2.

**Yellow-whiskered Greenbul** (*Andropadus latirostris*) Kakamega Forest 4, Nyahururu 5.

**(Olive-breasted) Mountain Greenbul** (*Andropadus nigriceps (kikuyuensis)*) Nyahururu 7.

**Slender-billed Greenbul** (*Andropadus gracilirostris*) Kakamega Forest 1.

**Shelley's (Kakamega) Greenbul** (*Andropadus masukuensis (kakamegae)*) Kakamega Forest 8.

**Northern Brownbul** (*Phyllastrephus strepitans*) Lake Baringo 2 at Roberts camp.

**Cabani's Greenbul** (*Phyllastrephus cabanisi*) Kakamega Forest 3.

**Little Grey Greenbul** (*Andropadus gracilis*) Kakamega Forest 2.

**Toro Olive Greenbul** (*Phyllastrephus hypochloris*) Kakamega Forest 1.

**Joyful Greenbul** (*Chlorocichla laetissima*) Kakamega Forest 4.

**Red-tailed Bristlebill** (*Bleda syndactyla*) Kakamega Forest 8.

**Honeyguide Greenbul** (*Baeopogon indicator*) Kakamega Forest 1 heard only.

**White-starred Robin** (*Pogonocichla stellata*) Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 3.

**Equatorial Akalat** (*Sheppardia aequatorialis*) Kakamega Forest 3-4 – often seen in the open.

**Brown-chested Alethe** (*Alethe poliocephala*) Kakamega Forest 7.

**Cape Robin-Chat** (*Cossypha caffra*) Lake Naivasha 2, Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 1.

**White-browed Robin-Chat** (*Cossypha heuglini*) Lake Naivasha 1, Isiolo (W) 1.

**Snowy-headed Robin-Chat** (*Cossypha niveicapilla*) Kakamega Forest 3.

**Olive (Mountain) Thrush** (*Turdus olivaceus (abyssinicus)*) Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 15.

**African Thrush** (*Turdus pelios*) Kakamega Forest 3.

**White-tailed Ant-Thrush** (*Neocossyphus poensis*) Kakamega Forest 5 - 4 around the resthouse.

**Common Rock-Thrush** (*Monticola saxatilis*) Lake Naivasha 1, Lake Baringo 1, Isiolo (S) 1, Athi River 1.

**Northern Anteater-Chat** (*Myrmecocichla aethiops*) Lake Naivasha, Fisherman's camp 8, Lake Naivasha 2.

**Cliff Chat** (*Myrmecocichla cinnamomeiventris*) Lake Baringo 2 at the cliffs.

**Common (African) Stonechat** (*Saxicola torquata*) Lake Naivasha 1, Nyahururu 2.

**Whinchat** (*Saxicola rubetra*) Lake Naivasha 1, Isiolo (N) 1.

**Schalow's Wheatear** (*Oenanthe schalowi*) Lake Naivasha, Fisherman's camp 5-6.

**Northern Wheatear** (*Oenanthe oenanthe*) Lake Naivasha 2, Lake Naivasha, Fisherman's camp 3, Lake Baringo 6, Nyahururu 1, Athi River 2.

**Isabelline Wheatear** (*Oenanthe isabellina*) Lake Baringo 3, Isiolo (S) 1.

**Pied Wheatear** (*Oenanthe pleschanka*) Lake Naivasha 2, Lake Naivasha, Fisherman's camp 1, Athi River 2.

**Thrush Nightingale** (*Luscinia luscinia*) Isiolo (S) 3+, Isiolo (W) 4+, Athi River 1.

**Irania** (*Irania gutturalis*) Isiolo (W) 1 female hiding in a bushy gully.

**White-browed Scrub-Robin** (*Cerotrichas leucophrys*) Lake Baringo 4, Isiolo (W) 4, Athi River 3

**Spotted Morning-Thrush** (*Cichladusa guttata*) Lake Baringo 6, Isiolo (S) 3, Isiolo (W) 4, Athi River 1.

**Familiar Chat** (*Cercomela familiaris*) Lake Baringo 4 at the cliffs.

**Brown-tailed Rock Chat** (*Cercomela scotocera*) Lake Baringo 1 at the cliffs.

**Dark-capped Yellow Warbler** (*Chloropeta natalensis*) Athi River 1 at the river.

**Marsh Warbler** (*Acrocephalus palustris*) Isiolo (S) 2, Isiolo (W) 3.

**River Warbler** (*Locustella fluviatilis*) Isiolo (W) 1 seen well at the first stream.

**Cinnamon Bracken Warbler** (*Bradypterus cinnamomeus*) Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 3.

**Olivaceous Warbler** (*Hippolais pallida*) Lake Baringo 5, Isiolo (N) 1, Isiolo (S) 4, Isiolo (W) 2.

**Olive-tree Warbler** (*Hippolais olivetorum*) Lake Baringo 2.

**Barred Warbler** (*Sylvia nisoria*) Isiolo (S) 1 adult and 1 juvenile.

**Common Whitethroat** (*Sylvia communis*) Lake Naivasha 1, Lake Baringo 1, Isiolo (S) 5.

**Blackcap** (*Sylvia atricapilla*) Kakamega Forest 3, Nyahururu 1.

**Buff-bellied Warbler** (*Phyllolais pulchella*) Lake Naivasha 5, Lake Baringo 2, Athi River 4.

**Willow Warbler** (*Phylloscopus trochilus*) Lake Naivasha 10, Lake Naivasha, Fisherman's camp 2, Lake Baringo 2, Kakamega Forest 10+, Nyahururu 1, Isiolo (N) 2, Isiolo (W) 4.

**Uganda Woodland Warbler** (*Phylloscopus budongoensis*) Kakamega Forest 4 mainly heard from high up in the canopy, but one bird seen well lower down.

**Brown Woodland Warbler** (*Phylloscopus umbrovirens*) Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 3-4.

**Green Hylia** (*Hylia prasina*) Kakamega Forest 1.

**Northern Crombec** (*Sylvietta brachyuran*) Lake Baringo 4.

**Red-faced Crombec** (*Sylvietta whytii*) Lake Naivasha 2, Athi River 4.

**Yellow-bellied Eremomela** (*Eremomela icteropygialis*) Isiolo (S) 2.

**Turner's Eremomela** (*Eremomela turneri*) Kakamega Forest 4 seen along Forest Road.

**Black-faced Rufous Warbler** (*Bathmocercus rufus*) Kakamega Forest 8+.

**Banded Parisoma** (*Parisoma boehmi*) Isiolo (S) 3.

**Brown Parisoma** (*Parisoma lugens*) Lake Naivasha 2, Lake Naivasha, Fisherman's camp 1, Kakamega Forest 2.

**Zitting Cisticola** (*Cisticola juncidis*) Athi River 2+.

**Desert Cisticola** (*Cisticola aridulus*) Athi River 3+.

**Wing-snapping Cisticola** (*Cisticola ayresii*) Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 4.

**Rattling Cisticola** (*Cisticola chiniana*) Lake Naivasha 15, Lake Naivasha, Fisherman's camp 3, Isiolo (S) 5+, Isiolo (W) 3, Athi River 10.

**Ashy Cisticola** (*Cisticola cinereolus*) Isiolo (S) 5+, Athi River 1.

**Winding Cisticola** (*Cisticola galactotes*) Lake Naivasha 1, Isiolo (N) 1, Athi River 10.

**Levaillant's Cisticola** (*Cisticola tinniens*) Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 1.

**Singing Cisticola** (*Cisticola cantans*) Athi River 2.

**Chubb's Cisticola** (*Cisticola chubby*) Kakamega Forest 3.

**Red-fronted Warbler** (*Spiloptila rufifrons*) Lake Baringo 6, Isiolo (W) 1.

**Tawny-flanked Prinia** (*Prinia subflava*) Lake Naivasha 4, Lake Naivasha, Fisherman's camp 1, Isiolo (W) 2, Athi River 1.

**White-chinned Prinia** (*Prinia leucopogon*) Kakamega Forest 10.

**Banded Prinia** (*Prinia bairdii*) Kakamega Forest 5+.

**Grey-capped Warbler** (*Eminia lepida*) Lake Naivasha 2, Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 1.

**Grey-backed Camaroptera** (*Camaroptera brachyura*) Lake Naivasha 4, Lake Naivasha, Fisherman's camp 2, Lake Baringo 1, Kakamega Forest 4, Isiolo (W) 2, Athi River 1.

**Olive-green Camaroptera** (*Camaroptera chloronota*) Kakamega Forest 1.

**Grey Wren-Warbler** (*Calamonastes simplex*) Lake Baringo 5, Isiolo (S) 4, Isiolo (W) 5.

**Yellow-breasted Apalis** (*Apalis flavida*) Lake Baringo 6, Athi River 2.

**Grey Apalis** (*Apalis cinerea*) Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 8.

**Chestnut-throated Apalis** (*Apalis porphyrolaema*) Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 1.

**Buff-throated Apalis** (*Apalis rufogularis*) Kakamega Forest 3.

**Black-collared Apalis** (*Apalis pulchra*) Kakamega Forest 4.

**White-eyed Slatyflycatcher** (*Melaenornis fischeri*) Kakamega Forest 2, Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 2.

**African Grey Flycatcher** (*Bradornis microrhynchus*) Lake Baringo 3, Isiolo (S) 5, Isiolo (W) 4, Athi River 4.

**Pale Flycatcher** (*Bradornis pallidus*) Lake Baringo 10, Isiolo (S) 1, Isiolo (W) 2.

**Spotted Flycatcher** (*Muscicapa striata*) Lake Naivasha 5, Lake Naivasha, Fisherman's camp 1, Isiolo (N) 2, Isiolo (W) 1, Athi River 1.

**African Dusky Flycatcher** (*Muscicapa adusta*) Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 6.

**Chin-spot Batis** (*Batis molitor*) Lake Naivasha 1, Athi River 5.

**Pygmy Batis** (*Batis perkeo*) Lake Baringo 1, Isiolo (W) 3.

**Brown-throated Wattle-eye** (*Platysteira cyanea*) Kakamega Forest 3.

**Black-throated Wattle-eye** (*Platysteira peltata*) Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 2.

**Chestnut Wattle-eye** (*Dyaphorophyia castanea*) Kakamega Forest 2.

**Jameson's Wattle-eye** (*Dyaphorophyia jamesoni*) Kakamega Forest 3.

**African Paradise-flycatcher** (*Terpsiphone viridis*) Lake Naivasha 3, Lake Baringo 3, Kakamega Forest 3, Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 2, Isiolo (N) 1, Isiolo (W) 6.

**White-tailed Crested-flycatcher** (*Trochocercus albonotatus*) Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 2.

**Dusky Crested-flycatcher** (*Trochocercus nigromitratus*) Kakamega Forest 2-3 along Forest Road

**African Blue-flycatcher** (*Elminia longicauda*) Kakamega Forest 3.

**Scaly-breasted Illadopsis** (*Illadopsis albipectus*) Kakamega Forest 4.

**Brown Illadopsis** (*Illadopsis fulvescens*) Kakamega Forest 1.

**Pale-breasted Illadopsis** (*Illadopsis rufipennis*) Kakamega Forest 1.

**Rufous Chatterer** (*Turdoides rubiginosus*) Lake Baringo 15, Isiolo (W) 5.

**Arrow-marked Babbler** (*Turdoides jardineii*) Lake Naivasha, Fisherman's camp 5.

**Black-lored Babbler** (*Turdoides sharpie*) Lake Naivasha 6.

**Northern Pied Babbler** (*Turdoides hypoleucus*) Athi River 2 in garden on the outskirts of town.

**White-bellied Tit** (*Parus albiventris*) Lake Naivasha 6 and Fisherman's camp 2, Athi River 1.

**Northern Grey Tit** (*Parus thruppi*) Lake Baringo 7.

**Dusky Tit** (*Parus funereus*) Kakamega Forest 6.

**Red-throated Tit** (*Parus fringillinus*) Athi River 4.

**African Penduline-Tit** (*Anthoscopus caroli*) Athi River 2 (pair nestbuilding).

**Mouse-coloured Penduline-Tit** (*Anthoscopus musculus*) Lake Baringo 6, Isiolo (S) 1.

**Montane White-eye** (*Zosterops poliogaster*) Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 10.

**Yellow White-eye** (*Zosterops senegalensis*) Lake Naivasha 3, Lake Baringo 1, Kakamega Forest 6

**Abyssinian White-eye** (*Zosterops abyssinicus*) Athi River 4.

**Bronze Sunbird** (*Nectarinia kilimensis*) Lake Naivasha, Fisherman's camp 2, Lake Naivasha 1, Kakamega Forest 3, Nyahururu 4.

**Golden-winged Sunbird** (*Nectarinia reichenowi*) Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 6.

**Green-headed Sunbird** (*Cyanomitra verticalis*) Kakamega Forest 5.

**Eastern Double-collared Sunbird** (*Cinnyris mediocris*) Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 2.

**Northern Double-collared Sunbird** (*Cinnyris preussi*) Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 4.

**Amethyst Sunbird** (*Chalcomitra amethystine*) Lake Naivasha 1 and Fisherman's camp 2.

**Copper Sunbird** (*Cinnyris cuprea*) Lake Naivasha 1.

**Olive Sunbird** (*Cyanomitra olivacea*) Kakamega Forest 1.

**Marico Sunbird** (*Cinnyris mariquensis*) Isiolo (W) 2, Athi River 6.

**Scarlet-chested Sunbird** (*Chalcomitra senegalensis*) Lake Naivasha 5, Lake Naivasha, Fisherman's camp 3, Isiolo (N) 5, Athi River 2.

**Beautiful Sunbird** (*Cinnyris pulchella*) Lake Baringo 10.

**Variable Sunbird** (*Cinnyris venusta*) Lake Naivasha, Fisherman's camp 6, Kakamega Forest 4, Athi River 2.

**Collared Sunbird** (*Hedydipna collaris*) Lake Naivasha 1, Kakamega Forest 1, Nyahururu 1.

**Eastern Violet-backed Sunbird** (*Anthreptes orientalis*) Lake Baringo 11, Isiolo (S) 3, Isiolo (W) 6

**Common Fiscal** (*Lanius collaris*) Lake Naivasha 2, Kakamega Forest 1, Nyahururu 10, Athi River 1

**Taita Fiscal** (*Lanius dorsalis*) Isiolo (S) 6+, Isiolo (W) 2.

**Long-tailed Fiscal** (*Lanius cabanisi*) Athi River 3.

**Grey-backed Fiscal** (*Lanius excubitoroides*) Lake Naivasha 10+ and Fisherman's camp 1.

**Mackinnon's Fiscal** (*Lanius mackinnoni*) Kakamega Forest 1.

**Isabelline Shrike** (*Lanius isabellinus*) Lake Naivasha 1, Lake Baringo 1, Isiolo (N) 1, Isiolo (S) 25+, Isiolo (W) 2 – seemed mostly to be *phoenicuroides* with only 1 or 2 *isabellinus*.

**Red-backed Shrike** (*Lanius collurio*) Isiolo (S) 3.

**Tropical Boubou** (*Laniarius aethiopicus*) Lake Naivasha 2, Lake Naivasha, Fisherman's camp 4, Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 4.

**Lüdher's Bush-shrike** (*Laniarius luehderi*) Kakamega Forest 3-4.

**Slate-coloured Boubou** (*Laniarius funebris*) Lake Baringo 2, Isiolo (S) 4, Isiolo (W) 7, Athi River 8.

**Brubru** (*Nilaus afer*) Lake Naivasha 1, Lake Baringo 7, Isiolo (S) 1, Isiolo (W) 1, Athi River 3.

**Northern Puffback** (*Dryoscopus gambensis*) Lake Baringo 1, Isiolo (W) 2.

**Pink-footed Puffback** (*Dryoscopus angolensis*) Kakamega Forest 1-2.

**Black-crowned Tchagra** (*Tchagra senegala*) Isiolo (S) 2.

**Three-streaked Tchagra** (*Tchagra jamesi*) Isiolo (S) 4.

**Rosy-patched Bush-shrike** (*Rhodophoneus cruentus*) Isiolo (S) 8+ - pairs duetting in the morning.



*Rosy-patched Bush-shrikes at Isiolo.*

**Sulphur-breasted Bush-shrike** (*Malaconotus sulfureopectus*) Lake Baringo 1, Athi River 3.

**Bocage's Bush-shrike** (*Malaconotus bocagei*) Kakamega Forest 1 along Forest Road.

**Northern White-crowned Shrike** (*Eurocephalus rueppelli*) Lake Baringo 10, Isiolo (S) 7, Isiolo (W) 2.

**Fork-tailed Drongo** (*Dicrurus adsimilis*) Lake Naivasha 2, Lake Naivasha, Fisherman's camp 2, Lake Baringo 15, Isiolo (S) 3, Isiolo (W) 10, Athi River 4.

**Square-tailed Drongo** (*Dicrurus ludwigsii*) Kakamega Forest 4.

**Pied Crow** (*Corvus albus*) Lake Naivasha 4, Lake Naivasha, Fisherman's camp 2, Lake Baringo 2, Nyahururu 8, Isiolo (S) 6, Isiolo (W) 4, Athi River 2 - and also in most towns.

**Cape Rook** (*Corvus capensis*) Eldoret 10 - along the road east of town.

**Fan-tailed Raven** (*Corvus rhipidurus*) Lake Baringo 2 at the cliffs.

**African Black-headed Oriole** (*Oriolus larvatus*) Lake Naivasha 2, Lake Baringo 4.

**Western Black-headed Oriole** (*Oriolus brachyrhynchus*) Kakamega Forest 2+.

**Eurasian Golden Oriole** (*Oriolus oriolus*) Lake Naivasha 1, Kakamega Forest 2, Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 3, Isiolo (S) 1.

**Yellow-billed Oxpecker** (*Puphagus africanus*) Lake Naivasha 3.

**Red-billed Oxpecker** (*Puphagus erythrorhynchus*) Lake Naivasha 4, Lake Baringo 4.

**Golden-breasted Starling** (*Cosmopsarus regius*) Isiolo (W) 1.

**Stuhlmann's Starling** (*Poeoptera stuhlmanni*) Kakamega Forest 10, Nyahururu (Thompson's Falls) 2.

**Red-winged Starling** (*Onychognathus morio*) Naivasha 4 in town.

**Slender-billed Starling** (*Onychognathus tenuirostris*) Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 20+ in fruiting tree.

**Bristle-crowned Starling** (*Onychognathus salvadorii*) Lake Baringo 6 at the cliffs.

**Greater Blue-eared Starling** (*Lamprotornis chalybaeus*) Lake Baringo 4, Isiolo (S) 1, Isiolo (W) 1

**Rüppell's Long-tailed Starling** (*Lamprotornis purpuropterus*) Lake Baringo 20, Athi River 3.

**Sharpe's Starling** (*Cinnyricinclus sharpie*) Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 2-3.

**Magpie Starling** (*Speculipastor bicolor*) Isiolo (W) 5.

**Superb Starling** (*Lamprotornis superbus*) Lake Naivasha 25, Lake Naivasha, Fisherman's camp 15, Lake Baringo 20, Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 2, Isiolo (S) 20, Isiolo (W) 5, Athi River 4.

**Hildebrandt's Starling** (*Lamprotornis hildebrandti*) Isiolo (W) 4, Athi River 10.

**Wattled Starling** (*Creatophora cinerea*) Lake Naivasha 10, Lake Baringo 150, Athi River 6.

**Rufous Sparrow** (*Passer rufocinctus*) Lake Naivasha 8, Lake Naivasha, Fisherman's camp 4, Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 3, Athi River 4.

**House Sparrow** (*Passer domesticus*) Lake Naivasha, Fisherman's camp 5, Lake Baringo 1, Isiolo (S) 2, Isiolo (W) 4.

**Somali Sparrow** (*Passer castanopterus*) Isiolo (N) 1 male feeding in a school-yard with Cordons just south of the sewage ponds.

**Chestnut Sparrow** (*Passer eminibey*) Lake Naivasha 25, Isiolo (S) 6, Athi River 2.

**Speckle-fronted Weaver** (*Sporopipes frontalis*) Lake Baringo 3 (ad + 2 juv) at the air strip.

**Grey-headed Sparrow** (*Passer griseus*) Kakamega Forest 1 at Rondo Resort.

**Parrot-billed Sparrow** (*Passer gongonensis*) Lake Baringo 10, Isiolo (S) 4.

**Yellow-spotted Petronia** (*Petronia pyrgita*) Lake Baringo 4, Isiolo (W) 10.

**White-browed Sparrow-Weaver** (*Plocepasser mahali*) Lake Baringo 45, Isiolo (N) 10, Isiolo (S) 50, Isiolo (W) 15, Athi River 5.

**Donaldson-Smith's Sparrow-Weaver** (*Plocepasser donaldsoni*) Isiolo (S) 15.

**Grey-capped Social-Weaver** (*Pseudonigrita arnaudi*) Athi River 15.

**White-headed Buffalo-Weaver** (*Dinemellia dinemelli*) Lake Baringo 6, Isiolo (S) 15, Isiolo (W) 1

**Red-billed Buffalo-Weaver** (*Bubalornis niger*) Isiolo (S) 10, Athi River 5.

**White-billed Buffalo-Weaver** (*Bubalornis albirostris*) Lake Baringo 6.

**Black-headed Weaver** (*Ploceus cucullatus*) Lake Naivasha 50, Lake Baringo 15, Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 1, Isiolo (W) 20.

**Lesser Masked Weaver** (*Ploceus intermedius*) Lake Naivasha 2, Lake Naivasha, Fisherman's camp 10, Lake Baringo 25.

**Vitelline Masked Weaver** (*Ploceus velatus*) Lake Naivasha 1, Isiolo (S) 3, Isiolo (W) 4, Athi River 2.

**Spectacled Weaver** (*Ploceus ocularis*) Lake Naivasha 2.

**Black-necked Weaver** (*Ploceus nigricollis*) Kakamega Forest 1-2, Isiolo (S) 1 female.

**Speke's Weaver** (*Ploceus spekei*) Isiolo (N) 20+, Isiolo (S) 10, Athi River 1.

**Baglafaecht Weaver** (*Ploceus baglafaecht*) Lake Naivasha 3, Lake Naivasha, Fisherman's camp 5, Nyahururu 10, Isiolo (N) 1.

**Chestnut Weaver** (*Ploceus rubiginosus*) Lake Naivasha 15, Lake Naivasha, Fisherman's camp 1, Lake Baringo 15.

**Grosbeak Weaver** (*Amblyospiza albifrons*) Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 25, Isiolo (S) 2, Isiolo (W) 3.

**Little Weaver** (*Ploceus luteolus*) Lake Baringo 5.

**Golden Palm Weaver** (*Ploceus bojeri*) Isiolo (W) 4 along the first stream.

**Dark-backed Weaver** (*Ploceus bicolor*) Kakamega Forest 6.

**Brown-capped Weaver** (*Ploceus insignis*) Kakamega Forest 2, Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 1.

**Black-billed Weaver** (*Ploceus melanogaster*) Kakamega Forest 2.

**Red-billed Quelea** (*Quelea quelea*) Lake Naivasha 150, Lake Baringo 75, Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 10, Isiolo 2000+ at roost in town.

**Red-headed Weaver** (*Anaplectes rubriceps*), Athi River 1 Lake Naivasha 2, Lake Naivasha, Fisherman's camp 1, Lake Baringo 3, Isiolo (W) 1.

**Red-headed Malimbe** (*Malimbus rubricollis*) Kakamega Forest 2.

**Long-tailed Widowbird** (*Euplectes progne*) Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 25.

**Yellow Bishop** (*Euplectes capensis*) Lake Naivasha, Fisherman's camp 1.

**White-winged Widowbird** (*Euplectes albonotatus*) Lake Naivasha 15, Isiolo (S) 25, Isiolo (W) 6.

**White-breasted Negrofinch** (*Nigrita fusconota*) Kakamega Forest 2 near Rondo resort.

**Green-winged Pytilia** (*Pytilia melba*) Lake Baringo 5.

**Red-headed Bluebill** (*Spermophaga ruficapilla*) Kakamega Forest 10.

**Red-cheeked Cordon-bleu** (*Uraeginthus bengalus*) Lake Naivasha 2, Lake Baringo 10, Isiolo (N) 2, Isiolo (S) 10, Isiolo (W) 15, Athi River 10.

**Blue-capped Cordon-bleu** (*Uraeginthus cyanocephalus*) Lake Baringo 2.

**Purple Grenadier** (*Uraeginthus ianthinogaster*) Lake Naivasha 7, Lake Naivasha, Fisherman's camp 8, Lake Baringo 1, Isiolo (S) 1, Isiolo (W) 3.

**Red-billed Firefinch** (*Lagonosticta senegala*) Lake Naivasha, Fisherman's camp 4, Lake Baringo 3, Isiolo (W) 10, Athi River 10.

**Jameson's Firefinch** (*Lagonostica rhodopareia*) Isiolo (S) 1.

**Crimson-rumped Waxbill** (*Estrilda rhodopyga*) Lake Baringo 10, Athi River 15.

**Black-faced Waxbill** (*Estrilda erythronotos*) Athi River 2.

**Grey-headed Silverbill** (*Lonchura griseicapilla*) Lake Baringo 8.

**African Quail-Finch** (*Ortygospiza atricollis*) Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 3.

**Bronze Mannikin** (*Lonchura cucullata*) Athi River 15.

**Pin-tailed Whydah** (*Vidua macroura*) Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 3, Isiolo (N) 1, Athi River 4.

**Straw-tailed Whydah** (*Vidua fischeri*) Isiolo (S) 1 male and 3 female, Isiolo (W) 1 male.

**Village Indigobird** (*Vidua chalybeate*) Isiolo (S) 2 male, Isiolo (W) 5 male.

**Brimstone Canary** (*Serinus sulphuratus*) Lake Naivasha 2, Athi River 1.

**Yellow-fronted Canary** (*Serinus mozambicus*) Lake Naivasha, Fisherman's camp 5, Lake Baringo 1.

**White-bellied Canary** (*Serinus dorsostriatus*) Lake Baringo 7, Isiolo (S) 4, Isiolo (W) 6.

**Yellow-crowned Canary** (*Serinus canicollis*) Lake Naivasha 1.

**Thick-billed Seedeater** (*Serinus burtoni*) Nyahururu (Thompson Falls) 1.

**African Citril** (*Serinus citrinelloides*) Lake Naivasha 2, Lake Naivasha, Fisherman's camp 1.

**Yellow-rumped Seedeater** (*Serinus reichenowi*) Lake Naivasha 1, Lake Naivasha, Fisherman's camp 2, Isiolo (N) 5, Isiolo (S) 10, Isiolo (W) 5.

**Streaky Seedeater** (*Serinus striolatus*) Lake Naivasha 4, Kakamega Forest 6, Nyahururu 5.

**Southern Grosbeak-Canary** (*Serinus buchanani*) Athi River 2.

**Cinnamon-breasted Rock Bunting** (*Emberiza tahapisi*) Athi River 1.

**Somali Golden-breasted Bunting** (*Emberiza poliopleura*) Lake Baringo 1 at the airstrip.